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In re application of

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Shotaro YAMAGUCHI

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For: NOVEL PROTEIN-DEAMIDATING ENZYME, MICROORGANISM PRODUCING
THE SAME, GENE ENCODING THE SAME, PRODUCTION PROCESS THEREFOR,
AND USE THEREOF

SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT

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This Substitute Amendment is being filed in response to the Decision Dismissing
Petition, which Decision is dated November 25, 2002. A copy of the Decision is attached.

Please substitute this amendment for the amendment filed November 7, 2002, but not
entered.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

D¹ --This is a continuation-in-part of Application No. 09/324,910 filed on June 3, 1999 (now
United States Patent No. 6,251,651).--

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